## Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Reading Room

What is the Freedom of Information Act?

It is an option you may want to use when the releasability of a record is in doubt. The FOIA provides public access to releasable records. It does not require agencies to do research, conduct surveys, compile or analyze data, or to answer questions. To read the text of the Freedom of Information Act, click here.

What Should a FOIA Request Consist of?

A FOIA inquiry should be a written request to the FOIA office where the record is located. Your request should cite the Freedom of Information Act, describe the records you want as specifically as possible, and let us know how much you're willing to pay.

What does a FOIA Request Cost?

The FOIA allows fee charges based on the requester's category. There are three categories: commercial (pay search, review, and reproduction fees); educational, non-commercial scientific institution, and news media (pay search and reproduction fees; first 100 pages provided at no cost); and others (pay search and reproduction fees; first two hours of search and 100 pages provided at no cost). The FOIA also allows waivers or reductions in fees if disclosing the information is in the public interest.

What is the Response Time on a FOIA Request?

Normally, you can expect a response to your FOIA request within 20 days from the date the proper FOIA office receives it. If special situations exist, the FOIA office will contact you with an estimated completion date and explain the reason for delay.

Where do I Send a FOIA Request?

To request records pertaining to the 146th Airlift Wing, send your request to:

FOIA Officer 146AW 100 Mulcahey Dr Port Hueneme, CA 93041-4001

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